# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COAL AND MINES
# LOK SABHA

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COAL MAFIA
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**Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government are aware that Dhanbad's Coal mafias have extended their operations to West Bengal's Raniganj coal belt areas;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof;

(c) whether the coal mafias have played havoc with the movement of coal by rail to North and Western parts of the country by adopting nefarious activities; and

(d) if so, the concrete steps taken by the Government to check activities of coal mafias in the country?

## Answer

MINISTER FOR COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) No such information has been received.

(b), (c) & (d) Do not arise.